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NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM  
WASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT

State of Washington  
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY  
Olympia, Washington 98504-8711

In compliance with the provisions of  
The State of Washington Water Pollution Control Law  
Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington  
and  
The Federal Water Pollution Control Act  
(The Clean Water Act)  
Title 33 United States Code, Section 1251 et seq.

**Port of Olympia  
Remediation - Budd Inlet**

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Industry Location:

1412 N. Washington St.  
Port of Olympia  
Olympia, WA 98504

Receiving Water:

Inner Budd Inlet Via LOTT Outfall/Diffuser

Water Body I.D. No.:

WA-13-0030

Discharge Location:

Latitude: 47° 3' 30"  
Longitude: 122° 54' 9"

Industry Type:

Remediation of Contaminated Ground Water

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is authorized to discharge in accordance with  
the special and general conditions which follow.

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SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES AND REPORT SUBMITTALS

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| 1. | Submit a discharge monitoring report to Ecology | Monthly  |
| 2. | Spill control plan                              | Update within six months of permit issuance, see S5  |
| 3. | Treatment system operation and maintenance plan | Update within six months of permit issuance, Update annually, submit a copy to Ecology for review and approval |
| 4. | Acute Toxicity Characterization Test            | Quarterly for the first year, submit result 60 days after the test   |
| 5. | Chronic Toxicity Characterization Test          | Semiannual for the first year, submit result 60 days after the test  |

## SPECIAL CONDITIONS

### S1. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

Beginning on the effective date of this permit and lasting through the expiration date, the Permittee is authorized to discharge treated ground water from the ground water treatment system at the permitted location subject to meeting the following limitations:

OUTFALL No. 001

#### EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Monthly Average</u>	<u>Daily Maximum</u>
Total Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) <sup>1</sup>	48 µg/l	48 µg/l
Pentachlorophenol	6.5 µg/l	8.2 µg/l
pH	7.0-8.5 at all times	
Treatment System Removal Efficiency for Pentachlorophenol <sup>2</sup>	99.5% at all times	

The monthly average is defined as the average of the measured values obtained over a calendar month.

The daily maximum is defined as the greatest allowable value for any calendar day.

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<sup>1</sup>Total polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons are defined as the summation of the 16 following polynuclear hydrocarbons:

Naphthalene	Acenaphthylene
Acenaphthene	Fluorene
Phenanthrene	Anthracene
Fluoranthene	Pyrene
Benzo(a)anthracene	Chrysene
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	Benzo(k)fluoranthene
Benzo(a)pyrene	Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene
Benzo(ghi)perylene	Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene

<sup>2</sup>Treatment system removal efficiency shall be determined from the results of pentachlorophenol analyses of treatment system influent and effluent.

## S2. TESTING SCHEDULE

The Permittee shall monitor the wastewater according to the following schedule:

<u>Tests</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>Sampling Frequency</u>	<u>Sample Type</u>
Discharge Flow <sup>2</sup>	Continuous	Recording
Total Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) <sup>3</sup>	Once per two weeks	24-hour composite <sup>4</sup>
Pentachlorophenol <sup>5, 6</sup>	Once per two weeks	24-hour composite
Copper <sup>7</sup>	Once per two weeks	24-hour composite
pH	Once per two week	Grab
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	Once per two weeks	24-hour composite
Dioxins <sup>8</sup>	Semi-annual for one year	24-hour composite

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<sup>1</sup>All samples shall be collected from the sample point located in the treatment system final effluent line prior to the tie-in to the LOTT discharge line.

<sup>2</sup>Flow shall be measured by a continuous flow meter or other methods of similar accuracy (within  $\pm$  5 percent).

<sup>3</sup>Each of the 16 priority pollutant Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) identified in S1.A.above, shall be quantified and reported separately using EPA Method 8270 GCMS, selected ion monitoring (SIM). The 16 individual PAHs shall be summed to arrive at a Total PAH value. A non-detect value shall be reported as half the detection limit for the purposes of determining compliance with the Total Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbon limit. The effluent will be tested with a detection limit of 1.6  $\mu\text{g/l}$  for total PAH for one year. A detection level of 0.100  $\mu\text{g/l}$  for each compound.

<sup>4</sup>A composite sample means a set of eight individual grab samples taken a minimum of two hours apart within a 24-hour period.

<sup>5</sup>Pentachlorophenol shall be quantified using EPA Method 604 with required use of capillary columns DB1 and DB1301 with an ECGC detector and derivation using diazomethane. For the purpose of this monitoring, a detection limit of 0.1 ppb shall be achieved with calibration at 0.2, 1, 5, 10, and 20 ppb.

<sup>6</sup>An influent sample shall also be collected and analyzed for pentachlorophenol. The influent sample shall be collected just prior to entering the biological treatment unit. The influent and effluent 24-hour composite samples shall be collected at such times that the results can be used to determine the pentachlorophenol removal efficiency across the treatment system.

<sup>7</sup>All metals shall be reported as total dissolved metals. All metal analytic methods shall be sensitive enough to detect compliance or noncompliance with saltwater ambient water quality criteria.

<sup>8</sup> Testing for 2,3,7,8-tetra-CD-Dioxin and 2,3,7,8-tetra-CD-Furan. The Practical Quantitation Limits (PQL) are 10 PPQ.

### **S3. MONITORING AND REPORTING**

The Permittee shall monitor the operations and efficiency of all treatment and control facilities and the quantity and quality of the waste discharged. A record of all such data shall be maintained. The Permittee shall monitor the parameters as specified in Condition S2. of this permit.

#### **A. Reporting**

Monitoring results obtained during the previous month shall be summarized and reported on a form provided, or otherwise approved, by Ecology, to be received no later than the 15th day of the month following the completed reporting period. Priority pollutant analysis and biomonitoring data may be received 30 days following the completed reporting period if requested by the Permittee and approved by Ecology. The report(s) shall be sent to the Department of Ecology, Southwest Regional Office, Olympia, Washington 98504-7775. Monitoring shall be started on the effective date of the permit and the first report is due on the 15th day of the following month. Monitoring results obtained during the month shall be summarized on the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) Form (EPA 3320-1) and submitted no later than the 15th day of the following month.

#### **B. Records Retention**

The Permittee shall retain for a minimum of three (3) years all records of monitoring activities and results, including all reports of recordings from continuous monitoring instrumentation. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the discharge of pollutants by the Permittee or when requested by the Director.

#### **C. Recording of Results**

For each measurement or sample taken, the Permittee shall record the following information: (1) the date, exact place and time of sampling; (2) who performed the sampling; (3) the dates the analyses were performed; (4) who performed the analyses; (5) the analytical techniques or methods used; and (6) the results of all analyses.

#### **D. Representative Sampling**

Samples and measurements taken to meet the requirements of this condition shall be representative of the volume and nature of the monitored discharge, including representative sampling of any unusual discharge or discharge condition, including bypasses, upsets and maintenance-related conditions affecting effluent quality.

#### **E. Test Procedures**

All sampling and analytical methods used to meet the monitoring requirements specified in this permit shall, unless approved otherwise in writing by Ecology, conform to the Guidelines Establishing Test Procedures for the Analysis of Pollutants, contained in 40 CFR Part 136. All analyses shall be performed by an accredited analytical laboratory under the provisions of WAC 173-50.

F. Flow Measurement

Appropriate flow measurement devices and methods consistent with accepted scientific practices shall be selected and used to ensure the accuracy and reliability of measurements of the volume of monitored discharges. The devices shall be installed, calibrated, and maintained to ensure that the accuracy of the measurements are consistent with the accepted industry standard for that type of device. Frequency of calibration shall be in conformance with manufacturer's recommendations or at a minimum frequency of at least one calibration per year.

**S4. SOLID WASTE/RESIDUAL SOLIDS DISPOSAL**

- A. The Permittee shall handle and dispose of all solid waste materials and recyclable materials in a manner to prevent their entry into the ground or surface waters of the state to the greatest extent practicable.
- B. The Permittee shall not permit leachate from its solid waste or recyclable material to enter state waters without providing all known, available, and reasonable treatment, nor allow such leachate to cause any adverse effect on state ground or surface waters. The Permittee shall apply for a permit or permit modification as may be required for such discharges.
- C. Waste management and handling procedures for spent carbon, sludges, and other wastes shall be included in the treatment system Operation and maintenance plan required in Section S10 of this permit.

**S5. SPILL PLAN**

Within six months after the issuance date of the permit, the Permittee shall submit to Ecology, an updated Spill Plan for review and approval, a spill control plan for the prevention, containment, and control of spills or unplanned discharges of: 1) oil and petroleum products, 2) materials, which when spilled, or otherwise released into the environment, are designated Dangerous (DW) or Extremely Hazardous Waste (EHW) by the procedures set forth in WAC 173-303-070, or 3) other materials which may become pollutants or cause pollution upon reaching state's waters.

The spill control plan shall include the following:

- A. A description of the reporting system which will be used to alert responsible managers and legal authorities in the event of a spill.
- B. A description of preventive measures and facilities (including an overall facility plot showing drainage patterns) which prevent, contain, or treat spills of these materials.
- C. A list of all oil and chemicals used, processed, recovered, or stored at the facility which may be spilled into state waters.

For purposes of meeting this requirement, plans and manuals required by 40 CFR Part 112 or contingency plans required by Chapter 173-303 WAC may be submitted.

The spill plan shall be updated as needed based on changes to the facility that potentially affect the probability or severity of a spill or the ability to control a spill. The plan and any supplements shall be followed throughout the term of the permit.

**S6. TREATMENT SYSTEM OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PLAN**

Ground water treatment systems shall be operated and maintained according to procedures and criteria described in an approved operating plan.

An update operating and maintenance plan shall be submitted for Ecology review and approval with six months of issuance of this permit.

The plan shall meet the requirements of WAC 173-240-150, and shall also include, but is not limited to, the following:

- A. A detailed description of process monitoring to be performed to evaluate the performance of each component of the treatment system.
- B. Operating parameters and procedures used to ensure the treatment system is operating efficiently and that effluent limits are met at all times.
- C. Fail-safe features to ensure that inadequately treated ground water is not discharged.
- D. A description of any regularly scheduled maintenance or repair activities at the permitted facility which would affect the volume or character of the wastes discharged; a description of how treatment system residuals (e.g., biosolids, spent carbon, etc.) will be handled, tested, and disposed of (all material must be handled in compliance with Chapter 173-303 WAC); a list including quantities and chemical compositions of any maintenance-related substances (such as cleaners, degreasers, solvents, etc.) that will be disposed of, and a plan for monitoring and treating/controlling the disposal of maintenance related materials.
- E. A sampling and analysis plan and a quality assurance project plan for all monitoring required in this permit (process operation parameters, effluent monitoring, treatment study, chemical analysis of influent and effluent, etc.).

**S7. ACUTE TOXICITY**

A. Effluent Characterization

The Permittee shall conduct acute toxicity testing on the final effluent to determine the presence and amount of acute (lethal) toxicity. The two acute toxicity tests listed below shall be conducted on each sample taken for effluent characterization.

Effluent characterization for acute toxicity shall be conducted quarterly for one year. Acute toxicity testing shall follow protocols, monitoring requirements, and quality assurance/quality control procedures specified in this section. A dilution series consisting of a minimum of five concentrations and a control shall be used to estimate the concentration lethal to 50% of the organisms (LC<sub>50</sub>). The percent survival in 100% effluent shall also be reported. The Permittee will contact Ecology to determine appropriate dilutions when performing acute toxicity.

Testing shall begin within 60 days of the permit effective date. One of the dilutions for acute toxicity testing will be acute critical effluent concentration (ACEC) which is 5.5 percent effluent.

Acute toxicity tests shall be conducted with the following species and protocols:



1. Fathead minnow, *Pimephales promelas* (96-hour static-renewal test method: EPA/600/4-90/027F).
2. Daphnid, *Ceriodaphnia dubia*, *Daphnia pulex*, or *Daphnia magna* (48-hour static test method: EPA/600/4-90/027F). The Permittee shall choose one of the three species and use it consistently throughout effluent characterization.

B. Effluent Limit for Acute Toxicity

The Permittee has an effluent limit for acute toxicity if, after completing one year of effluent characterization, either:

1. The median survival of any species in 100% effluent is below 80%.
2. Any one test of any species exhibits less than 65% survival in 100% effluent.

If an effluent limit for acute toxicity is required by subsection B at the end of one year of effluent characterization, the Permittee shall immediately complete all applicable requirements in subsections C, D, and F.

If no effluent limit is required by subsection B at the end of one year of effluent characterization, then the Permittee shall complete all applicable requirements in subsections E and F.

**The effluent limit for acute toxicity is no acute toxicity detected in a test concentration representing the acute critical effluent concentration (ACEC).**

In the event of failure to pass the test described in subsection C. of this section for compliance with the effluent limit for acute toxicity, the Permittee is considered to be in compliance with all permit requirements for acute whole effluent toxicity as long as the requirements in subsection D. are being met to the satisfaction of the Department.

The ACEC means the maximum concentration of effluent during critical conditions at the boundary of the zone of acute criteria exceedance assigned pursuant to WAC 173-201A-100. The ACEC equals 5.5% effluent.

C. Monitoring for Compliance With an Effluent Limit for Acute Toxicity

Monitoring to determine compliance with the effluent limit shall be conducted quarterly for the remainder of the permit term using each of the species listed in subsection A on a rotating basis and performed using at a minimum 100% effluent, the ACEC, and a control. The Permittee shall schedule the toxicity tests in the order listed in the permit unless the Department notifies the Permittee in writing of another species rotation schedule. The percent survival in 100% effluent shall be reported for all compliance monitoring.

Compliance with the effluent limit for acute toxicity means no statistically significant difference in survival between the control and the test concentration representing the ACEC. The Permittee shall immediately implement subsection D if any acute toxicity

test conducted for compliance monitoring determines a statistically significant difference in survival between the control and the ACEC using hypothesis testing at the 0.05 level of significance (Appendix H, EPA/600/4-89/001). If the difference in survival between the control and the ACEC is less than 10%, the hypothesis test shall be conducted at the 0.01 level of significance.

D. Response to Noncompliance With an Effluent Limit for Acute Toxicity

If the Permittee violates the acute toxicity limit in subsection B, the Permittee shall begin additional compliance monitoring within one week from the time of receiving the test results. This additional monitoring shall be conducted weekly for four consecutive weeks using the same test and species as the failed compliance test. Testing shall determine the LC<sub>50</sub> and effluent limit compliance. The discharger shall return to the original monitoring frequency in subsection C after completion of the additional compliance monitoring.

If the Permittee believes that a test indicating noncompliance will be identified by the Department as an anomalous test result, the Permittee may notify the Department that the compliance test result might be anomalous and that the Permittee intends to take only one additional sample for toxicity testing and wait for notification from the Department before completing the additional monitoring required in this subsection. The notification to the Department shall accompany the report of the compliance test result and identify the reason for considering the compliance test result to be anomalous. The Permittee shall complete all of the additional monitoring required in this subsection as soon as possible after notification by the Department that the compliance test result was not anomalous. If the one additional sample fails to comply with the effluent limit for acute toxicity, then the Permittee shall proceed without delay to complete all of the additional monitoring required in this subsection. The one additional test result shall replace the compliance test result upon determination by the Department that the compliance test result was anomalous.

If all of the additional compliance monitoring conducted in accordance with this subsection complies with the permit limit, the Permittee shall search all pertinent and recent facility records (operating records, monitoring results, inspection records, spill reports, weather records, production records, raw material purchases, pretreatment records, etc.) and submit a report to the Department on possible causes and preventive measures for the transient toxicity event which triggered the additional compliance monitoring.

If toxicity occurs in violation of the acute toxicity limit during the additional compliance monitoring, the Permittee shall submit a Toxicity Identification/Reduction Evaluation (TI/RE) plan to the Department. The TI/RE plan submittal shall be within 60 days after the sample date for the fourth additional compliance monitoring test. If the Permittee decides to forgo the rest of the additional compliance monitoring tests required in this subsection because one of the first three additional compliance monitoring tests failed to meet the acute toxicity limit, then the Permittee shall submit the TI/RE plan within 60 days after the sample date for the first additional monitoring test to violate the acute toxicity limit. The TI/RE plan shall be based on WAC 173-205-100(2) and shall be implemented in accordance with WAC 173-205-100(3).

E. Monitoring When There Is No Permit Limit for Acute Toxicity

The Permittee shall test final effluent once in the last summer and once in the last winter prior to submission of the application for permit renewal. All species used in the initial acute effluent characterization or substitutes approved by the Department shall be used, and results submitted to the Department as a part of the permit renewal application process.

F. Sampling and Reporting Requirements

1. All reports for effluent characterization or compliance monitoring shall be submitted in accordance with the most recent version of Department of Ecology Publication # WQ-R-95-80, *Laboratory Guidance and Whole Effluent Toxicity Test Review Criteria* in regards to format and content. Reports shall contain bench sheets and reference toxicant results for test methods. If the lab provides the toxicity test data on floppy disk for electronic entry into the Department's database, then the Permittee shall send the disk to the Department along with the test report, bench sheets, and reference toxicant results.
2. Testing shall be conducted on 24-hour composite effluent samples. Composite samples taken for toxicity testing shall be cooled to 4 degrees Celsius while being collected and shall be sent to the lab immediately upon completion. All composite samples must be below 8° C at receipt by the lab. The lab shall begin the toxicity testing as soon as possible but no later than 36 hours after sampling was ended. The lab shall store all samples at 4° C in the dark from receipt until completion of the test.
3. All samples and test solutions for toxicity testing shall have water quality measurements as specified in Department of Ecology Publication #WQ-R-95-80, *Laboratory Guidance and Whole Effluent Toxicity Test Review Criteria* or most recent version thereof.
4. All toxicity tests shall meet quality assurance criteria and test conditions in the most recent versions of the EPA manual listed in subsection A. and the Department of Ecology Publication #WQ-R-95-80, *Laboratory Guidance and Whole Effluent Toxicity Test Review Criteria*. If test results are determined to be invalid or anomalous by the Department, testing shall be repeated with freshly collected effluent.
5. Control water and dilution water shall be laboratory water meeting the requirements of the EPA manual listed in subsection A or pristine natural water of sufficient quality for good control performance.
6. The whole effluent toxicity tests shall be run on an unmodified sample of final effluent.
7. The Permittee may choose to conduct a full dilution series test during compliance monitoring in order to determine dose response. In this case, the series must have a minimum of five effluent concentrations and a control. The series of concentrations must include the ACEC.

8. All whole effluent toxicity tests, effluent screening tests, and rapid screening tests that involve hypothesis testing and do not comply with the acute statistical power standard of 29% as defined in WAC 173-205-020 must be repeated on a fresh sample with an increased number of replicates to increase the power.

## S8. CHRONIC TOXICITY

### A. Effluent Characterization

The Permittee shall conduct chronic toxicity testing on the final effluent. The two chronic toxicity tests listed below shall be conducted on each sample taken for effluent characterization.

Testing shall begin within 60 days of the permit effective date

Effluent testing for chronic toxicity shall be conducted semiannually for one year. The Permittee shall conduct chronic toxicity testing during effluent characterization on a series of at least five concentrations of effluent in order to determine appropriate point estimates. This series of dilutions shall include the ACEC. The Permittee shall compare the ACEC to the control using hypothesis testing at the 0.05 level of significance as described in Appendix H, EPA/600/4-89/001.

The Permittee will contact Ecology to determine appropriate dilutions when performing chronic toxicity testing. Testing shall begin within 60 days of the permit effective date. One of the dilutions for chronic toxicity testing will be Chronic Critical Effluent Concentration (CCEC) at 4.7 percent effluent.

Chronic toxicity tests shall be conducted with the following **two** species and the most recent version of the following protocols:

Saltwater Chronic Toxicity Test Species		Method
Topsmelt	<i>Atherinops affinis</i>	EPA/600/R-95/136
Mysid shrimp	<i>Holmesimysis costata</i> or	EPA/600/R-95/136 or
	<i>Mysidopsis bahia</i>	EPA/600/4-91/003

The Permittee shall use the West Coast mysid (*Holmesimysis costata*) for toxicity testing unless the lab cannot obtain a sufficient quantity of a West Coast species in good condition in which case the East Coast mysid (*Mysidopsis bahia*) may be substituted.

### B. Effluent Limit for Chronic Toxicity

After completion of effluent characterization, the Permittee has an effluent limit for chronic toxicity if any test conducted for effluent characterization shows a significant difference between the control and the ACEC at the 0.05 level of significance using hypothesis testing (Appendix H, EPA/600/4-89/001) and shall complete all applicable requirements in subsections C, D, and F.

If no significant difference is shown between the ACEC and the control in any of the chronic toxicity tests, the Permittee has no effluent limit for chronic toxicity and only subsections E and F apply.

**The effluent limit for chronic toxicity is no toxicity detected in a test concentration representing the chronic critical effluent concentration (CCEC). The CCEC concentration is 4.7% effluent.**

In the event of failure to pass the test described in subsection C, of this section, for compliance with the effluent limit for chronic toxicity, the Permittee is considered to be in compliance with all permit requirements for chronic whole effluent toxicity as long as the requirements in subsection D are being met to the satisfaction of the Department.

C. Monitoring for Compliance With an Effluent Limit for Chronic Toxicity

Monitoring to determine compliance with the effluent limit shall be conducted quarter for the remainder of the permit term using each of the species listed in subsection A above on a rotating basis and performed using at a minimum the CCEC, the ACEC, and a control. The Permittee shall schedule the toxicity tests in the order listed in the permit unless the Department notifies the Permittee in writing of another species rotation schedule.

Compliance with the effluent limit for chronic toxicity means no statistically significant difference in response between the control and the test concentration representing the CCEC. The Permittee shall immediately implement subsection D if any chronic toxicity test conducted for compliance monitoring determines a statistically significant difference in response between the control and the CCEC using hypothesis testing at the 0.05 level of significance (Appendix H, EPA/600/4-89/001). If the difference in response between the control and the CCEC is less than 20%, the hypothesis test shall be conducted at the 0.01 level of significance.

In order to establish whether the chronic toxicity limit is eligible for removal from future permits, the Permittee shall also conduct this same hypothesis test (Appendix H, EPA/600/4-89/001) to determine if a statistically significant difference in response exists between the ACEC and the control.

D. Response to Noncompliance With an Effluent Limit for Chronic Toxicity

If a toxicity test conducted for compliance monitoring under subsection C determines a statistically significant difference in response between the CCEC and the control, the Permittee shall begin additional compliance monitoring within one week from the time of receiving the test results. This additional monitoring shall be conducted monthly for three consecutive months using the same test and species as the failed compliance test. Testing shall be conducted using a series of at least five effluent concentrations and a control in order to be able to determine appropriate point estimates. One of these effluent concentrations shall equal the CCEC and be compared statistically to the nontoxic control in order to determine compliance with the effluent limit for chronic toxicity as described in subsection C. The discharger shall return to the original monitoring frequency in subsection C after completion of the additional compliance monitoring.

If the Permittee believes that a test indicating noncompliance will be identified by the Department as an anomalous test result, the Permittee may notify the Department that the

compliance test result might be anomalous and that the Permittee intends to take only one additional sample for toxicity testing and wait for notification from the Department before completing the additional monitoring required in this subsection. The notification to the Department shall accompany the report of the compliance test result and identify the reason for considering the compliance test result to be anomalous. The Permittee shall complete all of the additional monitoring required in this subsection as soon as possible after notification by the Department that the compliance test result was not anomalous. If the one additional sample fails to comply with the effluent limit for chronic toxicity, then the Permittee shall proceed without delay to complete all of the additional monitoring required in this subsection. The one additional test result shall replace the compliance test result upon determination by the Department that the compliance test result was anomalous.

If all of the additional compliance monitoring conducted in accordance with this subsection complies with the permit limit, the Permittee shall search all pertinent and recent facility records (operating records, monitoring results, inspection records, spill reports, weather records, production records, raw material purchases, pretreatment records, etc.) and submit a report to the Department on possible causes and preventive measures for the transient toxicity event which triggered the additional compliance monitoring.

If toxicity occurs in violation of the chronic toxicity limit during the additional compliance monitoring, the Permittee shall submit a Toxicity Identification/Reduction Evaluation (TI/RE) plan to the Department. The TI/RE plan submittal shall be within 60 days after the sample date for the third additional compliance monitoring test. If the Permittee decides to forgo the rest of the additional compliance monitoring tests required in this subsection because one of the first two additional compliance monitoring tests failed to meet the chronic toxicity limit, then the Permittee shall submit the TI/RE plan within 60 days after the sample date for the first additional monitoring test to violate the chronic toxicity limit. The TI/RE plan shall be based on WAC 173-205-100(2) and shall be implemented in accordance with WAC 173-205-100(3).

E. Monitoring When There Is No Permit Limit for Chronic Toxicity

The Permittee shall test final effluent once in the last summer and once in the last winter prior to submission of the application for permit renewal. All species used in the initial chronic effluent characterization or substitutes approved by the Department shall be used and results submitted to the Department as a part of the permit renewal application process.

F. Sampling and Reporting Requirements

1. All reports for effluent characterization or compliance monitoring shall be submitted in accordance with the most recent version of Department of Ecology Publication #WQ-R-95-80, *Laboratory Guidance and Whole Effluent Toxicity Test Review Criteria* in regards to format and content. Reports shall contain bench sheets and reference toxicant results for test methods. If the lab provides the toxicity test data on floppy disk for electronic entry into the Department's database, then the Permittee shall send the disk to the Department along with the test report, bench sheets, and reference toxicant results.

2. Testing shall be conducted on 24-hour composite effluent samples. Composite samples taken for toxicity testing shall be cooled to 4 degrees Celsius while being collected and shall be sent to the lab immediately upon completion. All composite samples must be below 8° C at receipt by the lab. The lab shall begin the toxicity testing as soon as possible but no later than 36 hours after sampling was ended. The lab shall store all samples at 4° C in the dark from receipt until completion of the test.
3. All samples and test solutions for toxicity testing shall have water quality measurements as specified in Department of Ecology Publication #WQ-R-95-80, *Laboratory Guidance and Whole Effluent Toxicity Test Review Criteria* or most recent version thereof.
4. All toxicity tests shall meet quality assurance criteria and test conditions in the most recent versions of the EPA manual listed in subsection A. and the Department of Ecology Publication #WQ-R-95-80, *Laboratory Guidance and Whole Effluent Toxicity Test Review Criteria*. If test results are determined to be invalid or anomalous by the Department, testing shall be repeated with freshly collected effluent.
5. Control water and dilution water shall be laboratory water meeting the requirements of the EPA manual listed in subsection A or pristine natural water of sufficient quality for good control performance.
6. The whole effluent toxicity tests shall be run on an unmodified sample of final effluent.
7. The Permittee may choose to conduct a full dilution series test during compliance monitoring in order to determine dose response. In this case, the series must have a minimum of five effluent concentrations and a control. The series of concentrations must include the ACEC and the CCEC.
8. All whole effluent toxicity tests, effluent screening tests, and rapid screening tests that involve hypothesis testing, and do not comply with the chronic statistical power standard of 39% as defined in WAC 173-205-020, must be repeated on a fresh sample with an increased number of replicates to increase the power.

## GENERAL CONDITIONS

### G1. DISCHARGE VIOLATIONS

All discharges and activities authorized by this permit shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of this permit. The discharge of any pollutant more frequently than, or at a concentration in excess of, that authorized by this permit shall constitute a violation of the terms and conditions of this permit.

### G2. PROPER OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

The Permittee shall at all times properly operate and maintain all facilities and systems of collection, treatment, and control (and related appurtenances) which are installed or used by the Permittee for pollution control.

### G3. REDUCED PRODUCTION FOR COMPLIANCE

The Permittee, in order to maintain compliance with its permit, shall control production and/or all discharges upon reduction, loss, failure, or bypass of the treatment facility until the facility is restored or an alternative method of treatment is provided. This requirement applies in the situation where, among other things, the primary source of power of the treatment facility is reduced, lost, or fails.

### G4. NON-COMPLIANCE NOTIFICATION

If for any reason, the Permittee does not comply with, or will be unable to comply with, any of the discharge limitations or other conditions specified in the permit, the Permittee shall, at a minimum, provide the Department of Ecology (Ecology) with the following information:

- A. A description of the nature and cause of non-compliance, including the quantity and quality of any unauthorized waste discharges;
- B. The period of non-compliance, including exact dates and times and/or the anticipated time when the Permittee will return to compliance; and
- C. The steps taken, or to be taken, to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance.

In addition, the Permittee shall take immediate action to stop, contain, and clean up any unauthorized discharges and take all reasonable steps to minimize any adverse impacts to waters of the state and correct the problem. The Permittee shall notify Ecology by telephone so that an investigation can be made to evaluate any resulting impacts and the corrective actions taken to determine if additional action should be taken. In the case of any discharge subject to any applicable toxic pollutant effluent standard under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act, or which could constitute a threat to human health, welfare, or the environment, 40 CFR Part 122 requires that the information specified in Sections G4.A., G4.B., and G4.C., above, shall be provided not later than 24 hours from the time the Permittee becomes aware of the circumstances.

If this information is provided orally, a written submission covering these points shall be provided within five days of the time the Permittee becomes aware of the circumstances, unless Ecology waives or extends this requirement on a case-by-case basis.



Compliance with these requirements does not relieve the Permittee from responsibility to maintain continuous compliance with the conditions of this permit or the resulting liability for failure to comply.

G5. BYPASS PROHIBITED

The intentional bypass of wastes from all or any portion (excluding the biological treatment component) of a treatment works is prohibited unless the following four conditions are met:

- A. Bypass is: (1) unavoidable to prevent loss of life, personal injury, or severe property damage; or (2) necessary to perform construction or maintenance-related activities essential to meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act and authorized by administrative order;
- B. There are no feasible alternatives to bypass, such as the use of auxiliary treatment facilities, retention of untreated wastes, maintenance during normal periods of equipment down time, or temporary reduction or termination of production;
- C. The Permittee submits notice of an unanticipated bypass to Ecology in accordance with Condition G4. Where the Permittee knows or should have known in advance of the need for a bypass, this prior notification shall be submitted for approval to Ecology, if possible, at least 30 days before the date of bypass (or longer if specified in the special conditions);
- D. The bypass is allowed under conditions determined to be necessary by Ecology to minimize any adverse effects. The public shall be notified and given an opportunity to comment on bypass incidents of significant duration, to the extent feasible.

"Severe property damage" means substantial physical damage to property, damage to the treatment facilities which would cause them to become inoperable, or substantial and permanent loss of natural resources which can reasonably be expected to occur in the absence of a bypass. Severe property damage does not mean economic loss caused by delays in production.

After consideration of the factors above and the adverse effects of the proposed bypass, Ecology will approve or deny the request. Approval of a request to bypass will be by administrative order under RCW 90.48.120.

In the event of a bioreactor system failure, bypass of only the biological treatment component is allowed if effluent limits can still be met with only granular activated carbon (GAC) treatment. Ecology must be informed within 24 hours if the biological treatment component is being bypassed.

G6. RIGHT OF ENTRY

The Permittee shall allow an authorized representative of Ecology, upon the presentation of credentials and such other documents as may be required by law:

- A. To enter upon the premises where a discharge is located or where any records must be kept under the terms and conditions of this permit;
- B. To have access to and copy at reasonable times any records that must be kept under the terms of the permit;

- C. To inspect at reasonable times any monitoring equipment or method of monitoring required in the permit;
- D. To inspect at reasonable times any collection, treatment, pollution management, or discharge facilities; and
- E. To sample at reasonable times any discharge of pollutants.

G7. PERMIT MODIFICATIONS

The Permittee shall submit a new application or supplement to the previous application where facility expansions, production increases, or process modifications will (1) result in new or substantially increased discharges of pollutants or a change in the nature of the discharge of pollutants, or (2) violate the terms and conditions of this permit.

G8. PERMIT MODIFIED OR REVOKED

After notice and opportunity for public hearing, this permit may be modified, terminated, or revoked during its term for cause as follows:

- A. Violation of any terms or conditions of the permit;
- B. Failure of the Permittee to disclose fully all relevant facts or misrepresentations of any relevant facts by the Permittee during the permit issuance process;
- C. A change in any condition that requires either a temporary or a permanent reduction or elimination of any discharge controlled by the permit;
- D. Information indicating that the permitted discharge poses a threat to human health or welfare;
- E. A change in ownership or control of the source; or
- F. Other causes listed in 40 CFR 122.62 and 122.63 and/or RCW 90.48.650.

Permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination may be initiated by Ecology or requested by any interested person.

G9. REPORTING A CAUSE FOR MODIFICATION

A Permittee who knows or has reason to believe that any activity has occurred or will occur which would constitute cause for modification or revocation and reissuance under Condition G8 or 40 CFR 122.62 must report such plans, or such information, to Ecology so that a decision can be made on whether action to modify or revoke and reissue a permit will be required. Ecology may then require submission of a new application. Submission of such application does not relieve the Permittee of the duty to comply with the existing permit until it is modified or reissued.

G10. TOXIC POLLUTANTS

If any applicable toxic effluent standard or prohibition (including any schedule of compliance specified in such effluent standard or prohibition) is established under Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act for a toxic pollutant and that standard or prohibition is more stringent than any

limitation upon such pollutant in the permit, Ecology shall institute proceedings to modify or revoke and reissue the permit to conform to the new toxic effluent standard or prohibition.

G11. PLAN REVIEW REQUIRED

Prior to constructing or modifying any wastewater control facilities, detailed plans shall be submitted to Ecology for approval in accordance with Chapter 173-240 WAC. Facilities shall be constructed and operated in accordance with the approved plan.

G12. OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF 40 CFR

All other requirements of 40 CFR 122.41 and 122.42 are incorporated in this permit by reference.

G13. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS AND STATUTES

Nothing in the permit shall be construed as excusing the Permittee from compliance with any applicable federal, state, or local statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

G14. ADDITIONAL MONITORING

Ecology may establish specific monitoring requirements in addition to those contained in this permit by administrative order or permit modification.

G15. REMOVED SUBSTANCES

Collected screenings, grit, solids, sludges, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters shall not be resuspended or reintroduced to the final effluent stream for discharge to state waters.

G16. DUTY TO REAPPLY

The Permittee must reapply, for permit renewal, at least 180 days prior to the specified expiration date of this permit.